

Minutes

Present:

Joan Kinsey	Barb Nissen
Dave Newell	Lana Temple-Plotz
Carrie Hauschild (via phone)	Carol Krueger
Karen Knapp	Rosey Higgs

Absent:

Susan Henrie

Agenda

Approval of September 5, 2012 Meeting Minutes
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Discussion
Discussion of Next Steps

Discussion

Group reviewed September 5, 2012 meeting minutes and all approved

Group reviewed and approved today's agenda

Group reviewed future meeting dates and agreed to cancel the meeting on November 14, 2012

Lana reviewed handouts from recent calls to experts. The following recommendations were given:

Amelia Franck Meyer, CEO, Anu Family Services, Wisconsin, re: tools and implementation:

- Do not tie tool to rates right away, pilot it for a year to see where your youth will fall.
- Leave rates as they are or increase to cost of living and complete the CANS on the kids coming into care and see where they fall. Once you have data you can determine where to set the rates for levels of care.
- Use the trauma informed version of the CANS
- Include foster parents – complete as a team or each complete and average the scores.

Shannon Flasch, Associate Director, Children's Research Center, re: Structured Decision Making:

- SDM is not designed to determine level of care.
- Shannon and the CRC can help Nebraska integrate whatever tool we choose into existing SDM processes to minimize duplicate work.

Guest Speaker:

- Alyson Goedken, Child and Family Outcome Monitor, DHHS. Alyson agreed with Shannon Flasch's point that SDM looks at families and children's needs and is not designed to determine level of care.

Group Discussion:

Group discussed SDM, CANS, Caregiver tools and next steps. Dave Newell recommended the subcommittee split into two workgroups, one to determine items for the caregiver tool and one to determine a quality assurance/quality management process. The group agreed.

Caregiver Tool: Karen, Carol, Barb and Joan

Quality Assurance: Lana, Dave, Carrie and Rosey

Next Steps

Carrie, Lana, Dave, Rosie – bring recommendations for quality assurance/quality management process to next meeting.

Karen, Carol, Barb, Joan – review all caregiver tools and bring recommendations to next meeting

Lana – compile meeting minutes

Future Meeting Dates

- a. Thursday, October 11, 12:30 - 2 pm, NSOB, 5C
- b. Monday, October 22, 10 am-12 pm, NSOB, LL-F